San Bernardino County Land Use Services Department

Code Enforcement Division



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San Bernardino County Land Use Services Department CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

The Land Use Services Department Code Enforcement Division (LUSD/CED) administers programs designed to protect the public's safety, welfare and property value through enforcement of the San Bernardino County Ordinances and State/Federal Laws relating to land use, zoning, housing, public nuisances, vehicle abatement and vegetation/ fire hazards abatement.

Duties and Functions:

The following list outlines the various duties and functions that are under the jurisdiction of the San Bernardino County Land Use Services Department Code Enforcement Division (LUSD/CED) for all unincorporated areas of the County and the specific Cities contracting with the Department to provide vegetation/fire hazard abatement services:

- Public Nuisances: The enforcement of all applicable County, State and Federal regulations governing public nuisances such as: graffiti, collections of junk, trash, debris, garbage, rubbish and related materials, junked appliances or furniture, waste tires, dismantled, junked or wrecked motor vehicles, machinery, equipment or parts thereof, mattresses/beds, and the build-up of same types of junk that pose a hazard to the public's health, safety and welfare.

- Demolitions & Rehabilitation (Residential): Coordination of property restoration and clean-ups that are done by the owner. The LUSD/CED also administrates residential structure demolitions for housing that have been declared a substandard property and a public eyesore.
- Substandard Buildings (Commercial): The LUSD/CED makes sure the commercial buildings within the County's unincorporated areas follow the established County, State and Federal regulations regarding minimum standards for preserving the general public's health, safety and welfare.
- **Blight Abatement Program**: The enforcement and removal of all types of conditions that cause property values to decline.
- **Abandoned/Inoperative Vehicles:** Abatement of any vehicles the do not operate, or any of their parts, that are kept on private property.
- Land Use Violations: The enforcement of County zoning regulations and land use ordinances, and the administration of clean-up actions required.
- **Special Use Permits (SUP)**: Administration of a compliance inspection program for properties with specific or special conditions that are assigned by County approved Conditional Use Permits (CUP) or other legal/land use conditional approvals.
- **Peddling, Soliciting, & Hawking Enforcement:**The enforcement of County regulations governing all peddling, soliciting and hawking activities.
- **Sign Registration**: Enforcement of the County sign ordinances and regulations requiring that all private use signs in the County are to be registered with the LUSD/Code Enforcement Division.
- Animals (limited to Hogs/Ostrich Farms):
 Enforcement of the land use regulations regarding the raising of hogs and ostriches on private property.
- Exotic Animal Permits: The permits and enforcement of the County regulations governing

- the non-commercial raising of wild, exotic, dangerous animals that are either mammal, bird, fish or reptile (SBC 32.0112).
- **Private Kennel Permits**: The permitting and enforcement of regulations relating to setting up and maintaining private kennels (up to 15 dogs, maximum).
- Bed & Breakfast Inns (2 units or less are granted permits by LUSD/CED): LUSD/CED ensures that owners or developers comply with the Conditions of Approval outlined in a Conditional Use permit (CUP) or similar type of permit granting land use approval, that is issued by the LUSD Planning Division.
- Cottage Industry: Enforcement of County regulations connected with establishing and operating restricted businesses that operate mostly out of the home (in residential zones).
- Home Occupation Permit (HOP): Issuance and administration of the required permit to establish a home-based business.
- **Septic System Failures** (Single-family homes <u>only</u>): The emergency enforcement activities required in repairing &/or replacing septic system that have failed.
- Vegetation / Fire Hazard Abatement: The LUSD/CED enforces County Fire regulations that decrease potential fire hazards posed by weeds, brush, trees, landscape trimmings and rubbish.
- Legal Actions: The legal process begins with the issuance of a Notice (i.e.: Notice to Abate, Notice of Violation, etc.). Time is granted to eliminate the problem. If the problem still exists, a criminal infraction or misdemeanor citation may be issued. A Temporary Restraining Order, civil litigation or the use of an Administrative Appeal Process may be exercised.